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killed. The other bodies were recovered

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CURRENT COMMENT.

THOROUGHLY CHARACTERISTIC.

The Calgary Alberta devoted one quarter of its front page and a three column heading Saturday to a somewhat lurid article copied from the Strathcona Chronicle, informing the public that the "Edmonton Fair was a Mammoth Fraught."

That The Chronicle would "knock" the fair was to be supposed, and that one or more of the Calgary papers would give publicity to the assault was also to be expected. The Alberta appears to have out-heralded the Herald in this instance.

In doing so the Alberta only exemplifies the broad spirit of uncompromising malice which for a generation has animated an element in that city toward Edmonton and all else that presumes to exist outside the boundaries of Calgary.

Twenty-four years ago the Bulletin published the following paragraph, which sufficiently reveals the chivalrous sentiments which a portion of Calgary's population even then entertained toward its pioneer rival:

"L. Beaupre and his partner recently sold 250 head of a band of British Columbia horses at \$75 apiece to Capt. Stewart. The horses were suitable for a number of uses and were intended to be brought to Edmonton, but at Calgary Beaupre's partner was informed that they were only a lot of Shagbilly farmers at Edmonton who were unable to pay for anything, and he declined to come through."

The Alberta now rises to assure us with the unquestionable evidence of circumstance how little of the bitterness, honor or courtesy the rolling years have brought to this element to whose prejudice it panders.

The point worth remembering is that malice reveals the envy from which it springs. The prospect of one city does not annoy another city whose rivalry it does not feel that it has cause to fear. The public understand this, and Edmonton may rest secure that the rabies of its enemies will only serve to fix in the public mind how thoroughly this city is envied by its contemporaries. The longer this spirit abides and the more frequently and furiously it breaks forth, the better for Edmonton.

The above is the Bulletin's version of the "fraud committed" on several thousand people by the Edmonton fair management. The Alberta government, which was held up at the pretence that the so-called fair was a provincial one may be included in the list of those on whom the fraud was perpetrated.

The fact is that nine out of every ten persons who discuss the subject express full agreement with the "somewhat lurid article" copied from the Chronicle. The only part of the Bulletin's "defense" that we are interested in is that which says, "That The Chronicle would knock the fair was to be supposed." We thank our contemporary for the compliment, even though it was unintended. It can rest assured that The Chronicle will knock every such chilly steel grey fable, fake and fraud wherever it meets up with it, whether it be in Edmonton, Calgary, Ottawa or Strathcona.

Of course the Bulletin's insinuation is that we are influenced by the envy that for years has existed between the cities of Strathcona and Edmonton and that our criticism was rooted in malice. We may say at this juncture that this assumption is founded absolutely in error. We take second place to no one in our admiration of the Alberta Capital, its enterprise, its industry, its optimism and constant confidence. Despite lack of railway facilities, and other advantages through several years it kept its beacon light of future greatness burning. Its people stood together for purposes of mutual protection and defense, everyone of its citizens at home or abroad made the most of its merits and it is to the credit of the city that nearly every municipality within a radius of many miles has fashioned its charter and its other institutions after the City of the rich Province of Alberta.

There is no malice, no envy, no jealousy in this office against Edmonton, or any one within its walls. There does exist in Strathcona a feeling that seems like malice toward Edmonton, and our most careful enquirer, impartial reduction and thorough observation leads to the conclusion that its origin is due, as its growth

has been fostered, by the rough-shod, unfair, selfish and unjournalistic methods of the Bulletin under its former and present management. It is unfortunate for Edmonton that some persons outside and inside the Capital City are disposed to make the innocent suffer for the guilty, to punish the municipality for the sins of the paper.

We assure our esteemed contemporary that we hold no malice toward it, nor the city in which it is, except for some petty meanness occasionally displayed, a most creditable institution and an able exponent of public opinion. The Bulletin's quarrel with the Alberta is their very own and we are not much interested in the feuds of the past between Calgary and Edmonton, which centered, it would seem, about some horse deal. These past quarrels on the dead events of bygone years are not likely to annihilate the bitterness that the Bulletin complains of, but seems too well disposed to perpetuate, by its habit of resurrecting them.

THIRTEEN HUNDRED DOUKHO-BORS LOST HOMESTEADS

The opening of Dominion lands for homesteads in the Doukhobor reserve at Yorkton, Sask., has now been concluded. In all 1,300 quarter sections were offered to the public during the period between June 1 and July 6, and of these up to July, some 920 had been entered for. The nationality of those entered for, in Canadian 250; Galician, 240; British, 195; Scandinavian, 80; American, 51; Italian, various nations.

In addition to these entries there were in the month of May 490 entries and in June 291 entries for lands not in this reserve. This, of course, entailed an enormous amount of work but under the able management of Mr. Maher, of the commissioner's office, Ottawa, and Mr. Peaker, local agent, and an efficient staff assisted by two members of the Winnipeg office, the business was conducted in an expeditious manner and gave general satisfaction.

Of course some days there was some disappointment to applicants, but this was owing to the tremendous rush and to the fact that there was not enough land in some townships to satisfy all applicants. No applicant, incident, however, occurred and each township was opened promptly, as advertised. Credit is due the detachment of R.N.W.M.P. of an charge of the outside work of the office. Their work was performed in a manner to be expected. Land taken may be obtained in townships 31 and 32, range 7, west of second (lying west of Breckenham), and also townships 33, 34, 35, and 36 range 30 and in townships 33, 34 and 35, range 31, west of first meridian, (in Swan River country).

RANGE WAR IN DAKOTA

Sillwater, N.D., July 10.—Much friction, especially in Bowman and Billings counties, exists between the ranchers and the homesteaders. Stock has been allowed to roam without let or hindrance over the fenceless prairie. Homesteaders have come to the country for the purpose of farming and have been putting in crops. The rancher looks upon the homesteader as an intruder. The homesteader, on the other hand, contends that the rancher has had his chance and has had the free use of an unlimited area of land. He has never paid any rent and is a usurper of the public domain. He has simply been permitted to occupy the land because there was no one desiring to make use of the homesteader's rights.

The feeling of resentment between the two classes is becoming intense in the above mentioned counties. Several homesteaders near Sillwater gathered the stock that was feeding on their lands and started to drive them in to the "range" and make it necessary for the ranchers to pay damages before they could again get possession of them. The ranchers combined, armed themselves with guns, mounted their horses and overtaking the homesteaders, commanded them to raise their stock back; would be shot on the spot. Much anxiety exists as to the outcome. It is feared that because of the difficulties between the ranchers and homesteaders are settled, there will be bloodshed.

Blackfalds Crop Prospect

Blackfalds, July 10.—Throughout all this district the crops have a splendid showing and farmers are optimistic that an extra good harvest will be reaped. The warm weather of this week following upon the copious showers of the few days previous has brought on the growth splendidly. It would be impossible to turn out a better distribution of rain or sunshine than this section of the province has been favored with.

An elevator is greatly needed in Blackfalds to handle the farm produce. There are also good openings in Blackfalds for industries to be operated by electric power from the plant now being installed at Blindman River two miles from Blackfalds. Electric lights will be installed in the town. The Public Hall for the town is being finished, other buildings are progressing rapidly. The Episcopal church is nearing completion.

Cupid as Chauffeur.

At a bride-matinee (matinee) recently across the center of the table was a miniature road paved with rice and outlined by clusters of pink roses, the stems supporting their tied with pink ribbons. At the end of the road was a miniature (toy) automobile with Cupid as chauffeur with big rose colored goggles on. Strapped on the auto was a tiny trunk tied with white ribbon and the bride elect. The favors were little imitation Dresden pianos, the bride elect being a pianist.

Do You Want to Be Pretty?

Don't be afraid of water. Drink plenty of it, and take as many baths as you can. Learn a few physical culture exercises, and practice them night and morning. This may all sound rather uninteresting to you, but if you follow these few suggestions you will be healthier, happier and better looking.

The Window Gardener.

Vessels of water kept standing among your plants will prove beneficial in supplying moisture. They can easily be hidden behind the foliage so that they will not offend the eye. Don't forget to turn your window plants around at least twice a week so that all sides will get the sunlight.

To Remove Finger Marks.

Finger marks on painted doors may be removed by rubbing with a perfectly clean cloth dipped in a little paraffin. The place should be afterward washed over with a cloth wrung out of hot water and finally polished with a dry duster.

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THE WATER SPRING UP.

inch thick or less and make a hole through it. Put a straw through the hole, so that one end nearly touches the bottom of the bottle and the other is just above the top of the cork.

Place a piece of blotting paper on a plate. Fill the bottle with water and stand it upon the blotting paper. Now cut a big glass jar, warm it and quickly turn it upside down over your small bottle, pressing it down upon the blotting paper with your hand.

In a few moments you will see a tiny stream of water shoot up from the bottle, right up to the top of the jar, and this will continue until the bottle is almost empty.

THE NAVEL ORANGE.

Probable Origin of This Delicious Seedless Fruit.

Boys and girls are all fond of oranges, of course, and especially of those that have no seeds, for this particular kind is usually larger, juicier and of a finer flavor than others, says the Chicago News. They may not know how this orange happens to be seedless.

The seedless orange is also called the "navel" orange—not "navel," as some persons believe—for the reason that it usually has a little protuberance on the blossom end, and the opposite to the stem. In other words, it has a navel. How the species originated is not definitely known, but it was probably an accident. Nature tried to produce navel oranges perhaps, but one of the twins survived directly as a sort of kernel imbedded in the skin.

It is strange that a distinct species should spring from such an accident, but nature does stranger things than that. This orange with the little protuberance was noticed, of course, and examination showed that the seeds had not been developed. It was quite evident that the formation of the protuberance, or "navel," as it soon came to be called, had prevented the formation of the seeds by using the nutriment that the seeds would have required. Cultivators at once caught the idea and gave their special attention to the production of the seedless fruit.

It is believed that the navel orange originated in Brazil, and it was from that country that our agricultural department imported some of the trees several years ago and boded them on trees at Riverside, Cal. The experiment was in every way successful.

Trick With a Cent.

Open the hand naturally and place the cent on the palm and then ask some one to brush it with a white handkerchief. After the handkerchief is fastened to your hand in some way. In order to prove that it is not let the sweeper place it on his own palm, and he will find it remains as immovable there as before. A few persons have flat palms. The cent may easily be swept of such palms, but they are not common.

Conundrums.

When are soldiers stronger than elephants? When they carry a fortress. Why is a trolley car safe in a thunderstorm? Because it has a conductor. Why have you a right to pick an artist's pockets? Because he has pictures (picked yours).

What does 258 never be mentioned by polite boys and girls? Because it is two (two) gross.

Talks With Nature.

"I think you're quite funny," I said to the tree. "You're a tree, you're a tree. You're awake until dark and you can't see, yet you are blind. And your mouth is as far from your head."

I said to the hill, "I'll allow you have a most wonderful brow. But you're much a big foot. That you never can get on a shoe of the size they are now."

I said to the tree: "You are queer. Your trunk is all packed, but I fear you can't leave until spring. When a curious thing. You must remain standing right here."

To a green red blackberry I said, "You are green when you're red. And you're red when you're green. That is to say what I mean. It is enough to befuddle one's head."

—St. Nicholas.

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The ideal state for a forest is that the crowns of the trees should just touch one another, in this condition they do not interfere with one another, while on the other hand they shade the ground completely and preserve its moisture and prevent the humus from being broken up.

In theory, of course, thinning should commence when the crowns of the trees begin to interfere with one another, and continuous thinning should proceed this condition.

In practice this is often too expensive, and the rule is often given, "Thin as soon as the thinning taken out will pay for the work of thinning."

In all thinning, of course, any trees that are dead or decayed should be taken out at once. They are of no possible use, while on the other hand they may furnish a chance for insects or for rot-producing fungi to get into the dead or sick trees and thereby affect the more thrifty trees.

Plant Diseases and Insect Pests.

The following treatment of certain plant diseases and insect pests from an authority on the subject is given in "Farm and Ranch."

For crown gall in peaches there is no sure remedy. Applications of blight should be taken from healthy trees, soaked in strong Bordeaux mixture and planted in well drained loam. The disease is caused by bacteria, and can be prevented in grafting by dipping the grafts in Bordeaux mixture and then together perfectly and using rubber or strong paper for wrapper. Crown gall may be found on dewberries and blackberries as well as on forest trees.

"Yellow" in peaches, not yet found in Texas, makes red spots on fruit reaching to the seed, yellow leaves and twigs grow. No remedy. Out trees and burn them.

Brown rot in peaches and bitter rot in apples may be prevented by judicious spraying with Bordeaux. For codling moth or worm in apple spray with arsenical and after fruit is with Bordeaux.

For woody aches remove dirt from around root and sprinkle tobacco dust, or spray a good wash of hot water or kerosene emulsion.

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Writing in Country Gentleman on Clay and Morgan types, a well known New Jersey breeder says: "I send you a photo of my stallion American with six clear crosses of Henry Clay. His get are satisfactory as roadsters and saddle horses of great endurance, spirit, cheerfulness and tractability, which I consider greater worth than the spritlike ability for which high figures are often paid. The most inbred family in this country is the Morgan. Because of this close breeding they have a dis-



CLAY ITALIAN AMERICAN.

cipline, fixed type, as have also the Clays, but not so marked, as they have not been so much inbred. To fix a type inbreeding must be resorted to. A union of Clay and Morgan blood, with an infusion of Arab, would, I think, produce such horses as the Government needs more surely than any other combination. By careful selection of sires and dams the requisite product, however, may be obtained. The Persian was a large, ill-famed horse until a little Arab blood was introduced. He is now an attractive animal, of better disposition, more spirit, more endurance and not reduced in size. This has been brought about by inbreeding from careful selection, exercising judgment in the use of sires and dams in the breeding stock.

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